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STATE DEPARTMENT ACTS ON SEAGRAVE CASE AFTER SPEECH BY CON. DEANE

(CNS) — Representative Charles B. Deane (D.N.C.), who before coming to Congress was a trustee of Wake Forest College, and recording secretary of the North Carolina Baptist state convention, has succeeded in accomplishing with only one speech what many congressmen can't do without frequent diatribes—stirred the U. S. Department of State out of its lethargy regarding the rights of an American citizen aboard.

Congressman Deane, taking to the floor for a review of the case of Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave, the Baptist medical missionary recently sentenced to a six-year prison term by a Burmese tribunal, pointed out that American Baptists built Judson College in Rangoon, which has been taken over by the present Burmese government, which refuses even to discuss payment for the property. He pointed to other evidences of American friendship for Burma, friendship which is evident in buildings, and ought to be imbedded in the hearts of many Burmese. Yet, he noted also many abuses which have been perpetrated on American interests and personnel, all of whom apparently have been working selflessly for years, among them Dr. Seagraves, but most of them now helpless before persecution in a strange land that is supposed to be "friendly" to us.

Only four days after Congressman Deane delivered his blast, to which several other Baptist congressmen contributed acid remarks, the Department of State (which hitherto has overlooked congressional criticism as being beneath its dignity) issued a full statement on the case, in which it noted that "a number of misapprehensions seem to have arisen in the country over the facts surrounding the trial of Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave."

After reviewing the facts, the Department of State added: "... The American embassy in Rangoon, which has rendered

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REV. CHESTER L. QUARLES

Rev. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary of Mississippi Baptists, will speak before the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention, in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, on Tuesday morning, March 13.

Sunday School Convention To Meet March 13-14

THEME OF MEETING IS "PROVIDING FOR EVERYBODY"

Baptist Churches And Ecumenicity

By G. KEARNIE KEEGAN
Secretary Dept. Student Work
Baptist S. S. Board

In this day when there is so much emphasis on ecumenicity and so much is being made of the fact that Southern Baptists as a major denomination are not organically connected with the newly formed National Council of Churches, it may be well for us to re-state our position. The emphasis of Southern Baptists has always been on the autonomy and independence of the local church. This conviction has stemmed from our adherence to what we believe to be the simple, obvious teachings of the New

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The annual session of the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention will be held in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, March 13-14. An attendance of 1,000 is expected. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins is host pastor.

State Sunday School Secretary, Dr. E. C. Williams says that those who are to appear on the program are outstanding leaders in their fields.

Out-of-state speakers include: Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., Superintendent of Young People's Work, Baptist Sunday School Board; W. A. Harrell, Secretary, Department of Church Architecture, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. H. R. Jones, Superintendent of Nursery Work, Sunday School Board; Miss Mary Virginia Lee, Superintendent of Intermediate Work, Sunday School Board; Dr. R. G. Lee, President of the Southern Baptist Convention.

J. Earl Mead, Educational Director, Cliff Temple Church, Dallas, Texas; Miss Bertha Mills, Elementary Specialist, First Church, Dallas; Mrs. Will S. McGraw, Superintendent of Extension work, Sunday School Board; Dr. William

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New Orleans Baptists Growing Stronger

Have Twenty-One Mission Stations: Press Relations Better

By HAL D. BENNETT

Four incidents in the past three weeks mirror the progress of Baptists in New Orleans better than either words or pictures can tell.

One was a brief paragraph in the bulletin of the Gentilly Baptist Church. This church was a mission, 25 years ago. Now it averages around 550 in Sunday School, and will move into a beautiful new auditorium in April. Along with its building program Gentilly also has helped support two missions, with New Orleans Seminary students as pastors.

This week one of the missions was organized as a Baptist Church. Seminary students are preaching in 21 other mission points that are expected eventually

to become self-supporting Baptist churches.

Better Press Relations

An apparently unrelated incident occurred to me. As publicity director of the seminary since September 1, 1950, press relations with the local papers has seemed slow. But all of a sudden, one day recently, we seemed to be on friendly terms with the church editors and at least one city editor of the local dailies. Bingo! There it was—they seemed to want what we had.

Then Feb. 13, we dedicated the \$265,000 library building on the new 75 acre campus. This is the sixth building to be completed and the first of seven administrative structures that must be finished before the seminary can leave the over-crowded Washington Avenue campus. The deadline is September 1, 1953.

Five new apartment buildings are already occupied. Before we can move the

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Zurich Seminary Good Investment Says Dr. Bell

By DR. A. DONALD BELL
Promotional Assistant to the President
Mississippi College

Mississippi Baptists have three representatives on the faculty of the new International Baptist Seminary in Zurich, Switzerland. They are teaching people who are representatives from most of the countries of the world. They are our ambassadors to the future leadership of Baptists.

The campus of the new seminary boasts stately buildings surrounded by impressive gardens and terraces. Through this gate and to this campus come the finest Baptist youth which the countries of Europe can send. Dr. J. D. Franks, former pastor of the First Church, Columbus, and a graduate of Mississippi College, is business manager.

The new President is Dr. Nordenhaus, and the faculty includes six, three of whom were trained at Mississippi College. They are Dr. Franks (who also holds a Doctor of Divinity from M. C.), Dr. John Allen Moore, a 1934 graduate, and Dr. John D. Watts, a 1941 graduate.

This beautiful home was originally constructed by a wealthy Swiss silk merchant. Our Mission Board secured it and adapted it to its present purpose. If the structure had to be built today it could not be improved in design and certainly would not be of the quality which it now is.

One of the most outstanding things about this school is, of course, the variety of students. Each young man is provided for by our Mission Board for every life need. Thus students from war

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Ambassador for God and the USA

By DR. DUKE K. McCALL
Executive Secretary
Southern Baptist Convention
Executive Committee

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Duke K. McCall, Nashville, and Dr. W. A. Criswell, Dallas, have recently returned from a special mission to various existing and prospective Southern Baptist mission fields of the world. Following is one of Dr. McCall's reports from Manila, Philippine Islands.)

God answered our prayer before we knew we needed to pray. He had to use a United States ambassador to do it, but there is evident that some members of the state department work within God's jurisdiction.

Ambassador Myron Cowen in Manila, Philippine Islands, had a representative meet our plane to invite us to dinner.

I have visited American ambassadors half way around the world. Without exception I have been proud of them. The two best in my book are Loy W. Henderson in India and Myron Cowen in the Philippines. Both have terrific jobs, but

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Shown above is the new International Baptist Seminary in Zurich, Switzerland.

The 1950 Annual Is Available

By CHESTER L. QUARLES
Executive Secretary

During the last few days, the 1950 Annual of the Mississippi Baptist Convention has come from the press. From many standpoints we are very proud of this 328 page book, which is being sent to all the pastors and denominational workers of our state. Many of the regular features are included in the annual, and at least one new feature, which is expected to be widely acclaimed, has been included.

Dedication

The annual is dedicated to William Andrew Bell, a pastor for many years in Mississippi. His last pastorates included Hattiesburg, First Church; Jackson, Parkway; Winona, First Church; Ruleville, First Church. A very appropriate verse of scripture is placed under his picture which appears in front of the book, as follows: "Neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I finish my course with joy..." Acts 20:24.

Table of Contents

We find by a study of the table of contents that included in the annual are the following general sections:

Constitution and Committees
Convention Proceedings
Convention Board Report
Baptist Foundation
Christian Education Report
Social Service Report
Statistical Summary

In the section known as Statistical Summary, we have the various directories, the historical tables, statistics of the churches by associations, and a list of the ministers.

Proceedings

Of especial importance, of course, is the complete write-up of the proceedings of the last state convention held in Jackson, Mississippi, at the First Baptist Church, beginning on November 14 and concluding on November 16. These proceedings were carefully recorded by the secretary of the Baptist State Convention, Rev. George H. Gay, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Ripley, Mississippi. This efficient recording secretary of the convention has served ably and efficiently for a number of years.

Special Feature

There has been included this year a study of the churches of the state by associations. The name of the moderator and the associational clerk has been included. The following record of each church is given in chart form in the back of the annual—name of pastor and his address, year church was organized, statement as to whether the church is full, half or one-fourth time, number of baptisms, other additions, total membership (including non-resident members), Sunday School enrolment (including missions), vacation Bible School enrolment, Training Union enrolment, WMU enrolment, Brotherhood enrolment, value of all church property, pastor's salary, local expenses (including pastor's salary), associational missions, co-operative program, designated gifts, and grand total.

This chart of each association should be of very great value to us. Certainly, it will be valuable to all historians in the future as they seek to get information about an individual church or an individual association. Of greater value will be the study of a whole state. For instance, one would have to get a copy of every set of minutes of every association in the state before he could make a real study of the growth and development of the Mississippi Baptist work. From now on, if this particular part of the annual is included, one will have a perfect (or fairly perfect) picture of

the growth and development of all of our churches.

Pulpit committees will be able to study the work of a pastor in whom they may be interested from, at least, the standpoint of statistics and records. The same is true of a pastor who may have been approached by a pulpit committee. He could derive certain information from a study of the statistics without being required to ask definite questions of the pulpit committee.

Incomplete

This statistical study of our churches is incomplete. We regret very much that several of our associations did not get in their reports before the date line which had been set as January 17. We trust that next year that every association in the entire state will have a complete report.

It is to be noted also that on some of the reports which we have all of the information was not sent in. We feel sure that every associational clerk will see the value of a complete report, and next year we will be able to present the brotherhood with a much more effective and complete report of the work of our churches.

We feel that this beginning is a good beginning.

—BR—

Starkey Accepts Ridgeland Pastorate

Rev. Carroll Starkey of Jackson and a student at Mississippi College has accepted the pastorate of the Ridgeland Church.

The plans for the simultaneous revival are almost complete. The Sunday School is already showing signs of progress.

A Training Union study course has just been completed and a Sunday School study course will be held during the first week of March.

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Orphanage Trustees Commend Progress

At the Baptist Orphanage Board meeting last week, new officers were elected for the coming year as follows: William Harold Cox, Jackson, President; Lyle Corey, Meridian, Vice-President; and Ralph Hester, Jackson, Secretary.

New Board members include R. H. Abbey, Webb; Willie H. Smith, Brookhaven; and Dr. C. M. Wells, Canton.

In his annual report to the Orphanage Board, Mr. W. G. Mize, superintendent, stated that of a total of 482 dependent children in child-caring institutions in Mississippi at the end of December 1950, the Baptist Orphanage was caring for 161, or approximately one-third.

A resume of his administration from 1935 through 1950, revealed the following: children cared for during this period, 1,116; children in Orphanage in 1935, 176; new children admitted since 1935, 940; new children admitted annually, 63; graduated from high school, 61; graduated from college, 10; completed business course, 3; graduated from School of Nursing, 7; in Armed Service, 85; in college at present, 5; in business college at present, 2; in high school at present, 19; in Grammar school at present, 120; pre-school age, 20. In appreciation of this work, Mr. and Mrs. Mize were voted a month's leave of absence.

The Board also made plans for the building of a new boys' dormitory to be erected in the near future for older boys on the campus.

HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

Rev. Charles Wellborn will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour on Sunday afternoon, March 4.

He will be heard over the following stations in Mississippi:

WJBM, Brookhaven, 1:30 PM; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 PM; WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 PM; WSLI, Jackson, 1:30 PM; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 PM; WAPF, McComb, 2:30 PM; WCOB, Meridian, 2:30 PM; WROB, West Point.

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Ambassador For God

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they know what they are doing. Cowen runs the largest embassy staff (2,000 people) of the U. S. Government.

My companion, Dr. W. A. Criswell started to tell ambassador Cowen of our preaching engagements in Japan. He took out his passport to illustrate some point. Suddenly his eyes popped out and his mouth dropped open! He forgot the ambassador and with trembling hand offered me his passport. "Can you find October 15 on that Military Permit?" he asked.

I studied his permit to enter Japan for a minute and exclaimed more fervently than piously, "Heaven help us, your permit expired last month!"

The ambassador smiled as he said, "I shall be glad to substitute for heaven, if you like. It will take me just two minutes to get that permit extended."

Beat this as a story of Divine providence if you can. Here we have traveled half way around the world to keep a date in Japan. In the last city where the mistake could be corrected, at the dinner table of the one man who could correct it, we discovered that somebody in Washington had used the wrong stamp to date the Military Permit.

God said through his prophet Isaiah, "Before they call, I will answer." He certainly did that for us.

Only once have I heard a prayer in which God was thanked for preserving a man from accidents which never come, illness that never began, trouble which never occurred. We do ask to be protected from such things.

Privately I am going to thank God for the disasters which have never happened to me.

—BR—

A NORTH CAROLINA JUDGE HAS ordered a man to "stop sending his child to Sunday school and start taking him."

J. FRED BREED TO BEGIN MISSISSIPPI PASTORATES



REV. J. FRED BREED

Rev. J. Fred Breed, of Jacksonville, Florida, has accepted the pastorate of the Hebron Church in Jefferson Davis County, and the Pleasant Hill Church in Simpson County.

Mr. Breed is a graduate of Stetson University and is now receiving his seminary training at the New Orleans Seminary. His experience as pastor includes a pastorate at Green Cove Springs, Florida; associate pastor of Southside Church, Jacksonville, Florida; and pastor of the First Church of Hastings, Florida.

Mrs. Breed, the former Miss Sarah Kathryn Quirey, is also from Jacksonville. They have two boys, Allan, eight years old, and Bobby, four years old.

Your Assistant Pastor

The Baptist Record

VISITS EVERY HOME
... EVERY WEEK

Southern Seminary To Change From Term to Semester System

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 29—Beginning next September, Southern Seminary will operate on the semester rather than the term system. This decision was reached at a recent faculty meeting following a careful study by a special committee.

All of the other Southern Baptist Seminaries are already on the semester plan, as are the majority of the colleges and universities of the nation, and Southern Seminary will now be more in step with other institutions of learning.

Under the new system, students finishing college at the end of the first semester and planning to enter Southern Seminary immediately will have no delay, saving a month or more of waiting for a new term to open.

Perhaps the greatest advantage will be the concentration possible as to courses carried at a given time. Instead of studying eight courses simultaneous-

ly and throughout the year, the average student will carry four courses per semester and no course will extend beyond a semester. Courses which have met three times a week and have continued through the school year will now meet five times a week—daily, Tuesday through Saturday—for one semester only. Two-hour courses will now become four-hour semester courses meeting four times per week.

A further advantage will be that of better sequence in the course of study. For instance, Old Testament can precede New Testament; Introductory Greek can precede New Testament; and New Testament can precede Theology.

Continuity of class sessions will be smoother, as first-semester work can be completed without the interruption of Christmas vacation. Final examinations for the first semester will come immediately after Christmas holidays.

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The Biggest Thing Before Baptists

So far as we know the Evangelistic Crusade is the biggest thing of its kind ever attempted by Southern Baptists. Certainly it is the greatest thing now claiming the attention of Southern Baptists.

As is well known, Dr. C. E. Matthews, Superintendent of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, is director of the Crusade to be held in churches east of the Mississippi River, March 25-April 8. He is experienced, a great evangelist himself, and an expert in his line.

Cooperation in the Crusade is not compulsory, but in our opinion, it would be wise. In fact, soul-winning is always wise, as well as needed. There never has been a time, and so far as we know, never will be a time when evangelism is not needed. The more evangelism we have, the less evil we will have.

Most churches have their plans made and much of their preparation made. Others should lose no time in getting ready.

Dr. Matthews has worked out a plan that works. It has been tried before and the results were exceedingly gratifying. Last year a similar crusade was held in the churches west of the Mississippi River. And the reports of baptisms for that year far exceeded any other year.

May we emphasize three things:

1. Every Baptist church should cooperate. More than anything else, evangelism has helped Baptists become a great denomination. Instead of being few and poor, we now count our numbers by the millions and our income with the same kind of figures.

One hundred per cent cooperation will add to our numbers, in-

crease our prestige, win souls for Christ and impress the lost among us.

2. Take the census. During our many years as a pastor we made large use of the census. It revealed information that otherwise would have escaped us. It caused us to know who were our possibilities.

Any church trying to have a revival without a census is not making the best use of the means at hand.

3. Get good and ready. The results of most revivals are largely determined before the first sermon has been preached. Teach a book on soul-winning. We train people for other work. Try it for soul-winning.

There is no substitute for visitation. Plan your visitation. Teach your visitors. Send your visitors.

Better still, get Dr. Matthew's book outlining the proper steps and follow them.

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A Suggestion To Program Committees

We dare to make a suggestion to the program committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, with the understanding that they do not have to take it. We make suggestions every day. Some of them are taken and some are not.

We believe that it would be better to have the Evangelistic Service, such as the one held in Chicago at the closing session of the Convention on some other night, instead of the last night.

Our reason is that regardless of when the last session is held some people do not stay for the last session, and the evangelistic service is one of the very biggest, if not the biggest thing on the program.

At the stadium in Chicago at the evangelistic service when the people of Chicago were asked to stand they were very, very, very much in the majority.

It was largely a Chicago meeting. Nothing is wrong with the Chicago people, but the messengers from throughout the territory of the Southern Convention should all have a chance at such an inspiring kind of a meeting.



Fair Warning

Several times we have called the attention of our readers to the present shortage of paper. So far this shortage has not caused us any trouble, but it may do so at any time.

Perhaps there are those who feel that we are unduly alarmed. For their benefit we quote below from an Associated Press news item:

"The Board of Directors of the Southern Newspaper Publishers' Association has been warned that a shortage of newsprint may become critical this year."

The meaning of the above is that any church having names to add to their EVERY FAMILY list would be wise to do so now. Any church planning to make the Baptist Record a part of its program would also be wise to do so now.

There is such a thing as waiting too long.

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Half Of Arrests Were Drunks

J. D. Holden, chief of police of Jackson, recently made his annual report to the Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Jackson.

Mr. Holden's report showed that there were 6,781 arrests made during 1950. Of this number 3,095 were drunks.

This is another argument why Mississippi should prohibit the sale of whiskey and also why Mississippi should enforce her prohibition laws.

There are those who clamor for legalization. If liquor were made easy to get, more people would buy it and drink it and get drunk and then commit some crime.

The more available anything is the more likely people are to take advantage of it.

If liquor were on every corner and in several places between corners in Jackson as it is in many of our large cities, the proportion of drunks would be greater and the crimes committed would be more, as would the tears shed, the homes broken, the lives shattered, the health ruined and the cemeteries filled. What we need is more enforcement, not more liquor.

Our Readers Write

INFILTRATION

According to Webster, the word "infiltration" means to pass through, to cause to penetrate gradually, to enter by penetration, etc.

The North Korean soldiers would disguise themselves as Americans and be allowed to pass through the U. N. lines. Then the U. N. armies would be attacked from the rear causing untold confusion and great damage as well as loss of life.

We have the practice of infiltration going on in Northeast Mississippi in some of our Baptist churches. As everyone knows there are several shades of beliefs, all holding to them, calling themselves Baptists.

In most cases they get along together fine, for they know they have their differences, are honest in what they believe, allowing the other fellow the same privilege they want for themselves and make NO attempt to infiltrate the other's lines.

But we have one type of which this is not true. I'm speaking of the Anti-Board Baptists.

They do not identify themselves by name as the others do. Neither do they set up churches of their own but infiltrate churches that are already set up. And this is so skillfully and gradually done that it is not until the infiltration is complete that they are fully recognized for what they are. Take an example:

Here is a large rural missionary Baptist Church more than 100 years old.

Minutes of the county association show that down through the years approximately 30% of all monies received were given to the Cooperative Program and the usual organizations were maintained.

It managed to go to half-time work, set up a unified budget system which included the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Then began the infiltration. When a new pastor was called sufficient investigation was not made. It was assumed that he was a Missionary Baptist. He looked like one, talked like one, acted like one, gave every indication that he was one, that is, at first.

After two years here is the picture: The unified budget plan has been junked and in its place they have three separate treasuries, three sets of books to keep and three separate offerings.

The offerings from the Sunday School is to finance all expenses of the Sunday School and upkeep of the church such as heat, lights, etc.

The main offerings on Sunday mornings go to the pastor's salary.

A box is placed in the building and any one so desiring can and sometimes does drop in something for missions. The BTU has folded up. The WMU is under fire from the pulpit as being "unscriptural."

The Sunday School is being told to junk its literature as "man-made stuff."

The EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record has been discontinued.

Now the pastor has seen fit to move, not only out of the county, but out of the state to a "job" 150 miles away, coming back on preaching days only.

The deacons asked for his resignation, so the original program might be resumed, the proposition was carried over their heads to a hand-picked congregation and his position was sustained.

I think this is a perfect case of infiltration, and without vigilance can be duplicated almost anywhere.

A WORRIED BAPTIST.

—BR—

THE MARCH ISSUE OF THE Sunday School Builder contains a picture of 54 members of the First Church, Kosciusko who attended the Extension Training Course planned by Mrs. Ruby Hines, Extension Superintendent.

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seminary proper to the new location there must be built: the administration building, classroom and chapel building, cafeteria, music building, women's dormitory, and a men's dormitory.

Later there must be added a permanent chapel, 15 faculty homes (three are under construction now), additional classrooms, a machine shop and space for the print shop, garage for the mission buses, laundry, power plant, nursery, clinic, gymnasium, book store, roads, walks, parks and parking areas.

Hundreds of New Orleans Baptists and friends witnessed the laying of the cornerstone and the dedication ceremony. All three city papers sent photographers and reporters, and gave good coverage in the Feb. 14 issues.

Editorial Congratulates Us

Incident number four was an editorial in the New Orleans Item, one of the two afternoon papers. The day of the ceremony a short but well-written editorial congratulated President Roland Q. Leavell and the seminary on such a good beginning.

This generation can remember when Baptists were not so gently treated in New Orleans. We have become somebody here.

What causes this new interest in the Baptists?

Newspaper editors pride themselves on being fair, but a man sitting at a city desk on a paper treats news stories like a farmer treats corn. He cuts out all he can spare in the interest of what is left. A story must stand on its own merit. The fact that it is religious is neither for nor against it. We have become news here.

The Southern Baptist Hospital, now adding a huge wing of extra rooms, has been both a mission point and a source of growing prestige.

Our Baptist Rescue Mission, the Rescue Home for Young Women, and the Baby Home, all directed by the Rev. Clovis Brantley, have had a part. The Community Center, with what amounts to a Vacation Bible School program the year round, continually brings more children to Christ and membership in some Baptist church or mission. The City Mission Program is both aggressive and alert.

The Home Mission Board, State Missions and the W.M.U. cannot be given too much credit. With one exception, each of the 38 churches represented at the last New Orleans Baptist Association at one time or another has been helped, begun or supported outright by the Home Board. Colliseum Place Church is the exception.

Seminary Draws Favorable Comment

The seminary began only 32 years ago when there were just five struggling Baptist churches in the area. Baptist leadership had seen that there were too few native preachers, and apparently no way to draw from outside the territory. So Baptist Bible Institute was begun to train the preachers where they were and as they were. The policy of welcoming those who were called into the ministry late, or who for other reasons could not or cannot go to college, continues to this day.

Six years after the establishment of BBI, there were 14 churches, enough to organize the New Orleans Baptist Association. Last year there were 38, and since then several more missions have become churches.

Churches begun from the simple desire of the seminary students to preach. They would rent vacant buildings, advertise regular services, and started out. Before long another Baptist church was born.

But buying the new property, the finest

Baptist Church

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Testament unhampered by traditional ecclesiasticism.

Local Baptist churches voluntarily band themselves together in district associations, state conventions, and the Southern Baptist Convention, but preserve the centrality and autonomy of the local church through safeguards.

1. Messengers elected by the local churches to represent them have no delegated authority which would make any action taken by them binding upon the local churches which they represent.
2. The three principal organizations to which local Baptist churches send messengers (the Association, State Convention or General Association, and Southern Baptist Convention) work together on a purely voluntary basis without interlocking organization. No association or state convention is entitled to send messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention—only local churches which qualify according to prescribed prerequisites.
3. The Southern Baptist Convention by the nature of its organization, constitution, and by-laws is powerless to join any ecumenical movement and speak authoritatively for the local churches. The same is true of the state conventions and associations.

Concerning the whole question of ecumenicity we must face the fact that no authority is delegated to any individual, committee, or convention to federate the Southern Baptist Convention with these movements. We have the right and privilege as individuals and local churches to cooperate with any worth-while Christian movement, but with the clear understanding that we act as individuals or a single unit and are not presuming to speak for other Baptists.

There are others who bear not the name Baptist whose love for the Lord Jesus Christ is genuine, obvious and sincere. We would not infer by our position that there are no Christians outside of Southern Baptist ranks. Heaven help us if that were true. But we would state emphatically and unequivocally that the genius of our cooperative effort, based on what we believe to be the inspired Word of God, leaves no other alternative than to maintain our present position.

Our first responsibility is to do our own job well. There is no need for any one to feel embarrassed about our stand. It is, we believe, Scriptural, time-honored, and blessed of God.

piece of acreage to be for sale in the city for 50 years, and the magnificent new buildings springing up in plain sight of everybody, is what inspires the added publicity.

The seminary has 1,000 feet facing the busiest highway in town. Both Highways 90 and 11 converge east of the city and travelers going either East or West must pass the Gentilly campus when enroute through New Orleans. Strangers see the construction going up in and behind the spreading pecan trees, read the sign, NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, and are impressed.

One Woman, not a Baptist, saw the new library building, being built to serve at least 1,000 students. "I want a part in it," she said, and donated 1,400 books at one time.

Take my word for it, Southern Baptists can be proud of what is being done in New Orleans. We're on our way. Already too strong to be ignored, we are growing stronger by the day.

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Jones Jr. College's Sweetheart Banquet was a real achievement. Mrs. J. H. Street, of Laurel, and your secretary spoke on "My Ideal Sweetheart" with both hers and mine absent. Miss Dawn Taylor, formerly of MSCW BSU sang several romantic numbers beautifully and President J. B. Young, Pastor W. L. Clark and many others participated in a very enjoyable evening. Lawrence Clegg was an excellent M. C. . . State Council, with twelve present, three absent, was held recently with, we believe, good results. Focus Week at Miss. College, Blue Mountain, and Clarke, and Religious Emphasis Weeks on our state campuses were discussed as well as the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade, State Officers Retreat, Youth Revivals, Student Summer Missions, Ridgecrest, State Convention and other matters. Next meeting of Council is set for twelve, noon, March 10th. . . Please keep us up-to-date on your and others' addresses for the Miscellany. We should like to send it to more service people. . . If I had the money, I would seriously consider establishing a Student Center at some college center like Delta State or Ole Miss, or paying the salary of a student worker for such college centers as Jackson or Raymond or Wesson or Scooba or Senatobia. . . BSUs, continue praying for and witnessing to the lost during these days prior to the Simultaneous Crusade Mar. 25-April 8. . . Twenty-three unsaved are reported from Delta State. . . Pastors, churches, let us

know soon how many you want for your Youth Revival and its date. . . Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, Sec'y for the Miss. Foundation, has accepted our invitation to our State Convention, Nov. 24. . . College pastors, we're hoping you'll plan to attend Student Retreat at Ridgecrest June 6-13. . . Alec Hopper, Miss. College, is to lead the singing, and Mary D. Wilds and Martha Edge, Blue Mtn., to play the pianos for State Officers Retreat, Co-Lin Jr., April 20-21. . . Students volunteering for Student Summer Missionary work must do so by March 10. We hope to send out five students for Vacation Bible School and other evangelistic work overseas and possibly on the West Coast. . . Southwest Jr. lost 48 boys from the campus recently. . . More than half of the students at Sunflower Jr. are Baptists, according to their report. . . Deadline for issuing visas to Displaced Persons is June 10, 1951. Several thousand Baptist displaced persons in Europe still need sponsors. Anyone interested should write Southern Baptist Displaced Persons Office, 2940 Napoleon Ave., New Orleans, La. . . Perkinson Jr., lost two Council members, have good average attendance at Morning Watch. . . Baptist Student for March includes report on Mississippi's BSU Convention at Miss. Southern last fall, highly amusing but needed piece by Riley Munday, many other top-flight articles. Somehow the date for our Convention and the approximate number of students present are incorrect, but we are deeply grateful for the inclusion of both of these Miss. representations. . .

Sunday School

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P. Phillips, General Associate, Sunday School Board; Mrs. W. G. Rutledge, State Elementary Sunday School Secretary, Shreveport, La.; Miss Blossom Thompson, Elementary Supervisor, First Church, Decatur, Ga.; Miss Robble Trent, Editorial Associate, Sunday School Board; A. V. Washburn, Secretary, Teaching and Training, Sunday School Board.

Prominent Mississippians having parts on the program are: Rev. Paul D. Boothe, Associate Sunday School Secretary, Jackson; Rev. William L. Compere, Pastor, Northside Church, Jackson; Mrs. O. M. Jones, Manager, Baptist Book Store, Jackson; Miss Carolyn Madison, State Elementary Sunday School Secretary, Jackson; Dr. D. M. Nelson, President, Mississippi College; Rev. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary, Jackson.

The theme of the convention is "Provide in every church for every member of every family."

The first session will begin at 9:45 on Tuesday morning March 13 followed by afternoon and evening sessions with final adjournment scheduled for 9 o'clock that night.

The complete program will be found on the Sunday School page of this issue.

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LAUREL, FEB. 27—HIGHLAND Baptist church, organized here just five months ago under sponsorship of the Laurel First Baptist Church, has employed James M. Spain, Jackson architect, to draft plans for a new church building to be located in northwest Laurel. The services are now being held in a temporary structure. A spokesman for the new church said it was hoped to start building in April.

Zurich Seminary

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torn countries or from poverty stricken homes feel no inferiority in the seminary. Each student has an assigned job for which he is given spending money of a limited amount.

Some of the tentative plans of the seminary include the following: (1) Possibly the student body will be limited and students will be selected with increasing care with reference to several qualifications; college graduates; ability to speak English (in which all classes are conducted); possible success in the limitation and personal fitness for Christian service. (2) Possibly a limit of one student from the United States at any one time. Dr. Franks said this was allowed in order to keep the international balance within the student body. (3) Increased library facilities and dormitory space. (4) A more fixed program of study and a formation of a well developed degree granting program. (5) Increased support from Southern Baptists to carry on this vital mission and educational work.

We believe that this is Southern Baptists "best investment" of this generation."

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STATE DEPARTMENT

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ed all possible assistance to Dr. Seagrave during the trial, is procuring and forwarding to the Department of State a complete transcript of the testimony in the case. . . Since the case is still before the Burmese courts, it would be inappropriate for the Department of State to make any comment on the verdict handed down by the Special Tribunal."

(Editor's Note: This looks like a poor way for the Burmese to show gratitude to Dr. Seagrave for a lifetime of service.)

Twenty-Four Mississippians To Graduate At New Orleans Seminary



Twenty-four Mississippians expect to graduate at the New Orleans Seminary in May. Reading left to right they are: James B. Carpenter, pastor, Duford, La.; Andrew J. Chandler, associate pastor of Coliseum Place Church, New Orleans; J. Kelva Moore, Th. D., pastor Silver Creek, Pike County; L. S. Polk, B.D., pastor, Eastside, Jackson; Cecil Bearden, B.D., Summit; Eugene Fleming, B.D., pastor, Mossville, home, Memphis; Mrs. Bob E. Simmons, Bassfield; Byron E. Mathis, pastor, Seminary; Arthur L. Goodson, Jr., Collins; George H. Hudson, B.D., pastor Harmony, Clarke County; Noel Barlow, B.D., Jackson; Jack D. Nazary, B.D., Calvary Church, Smithdale; Annie McBride, Certificate in Christian Training, prepared for church secretary; Joseph L. Jolly, B.D., pastor, Jayees; Mrs. C. O. Randall, M.R.E., pastor's wife; Henry Joe Bennett, Th.M., pastor, Byram.

The following graduates are not pictured above: Robert S. Crawford, Th.D.,

pastor, Santa Rosa, Pearl River County; Thomas Upton Reynolds, Th. M., Registrar, New Orleans Baptist Seminary; John M. Causey, B.D., pastor, Pearl River, Louisiana; Rutledge E. Courtney, B.D., pastor, Zion Hill Church, Lincoln County; Bob G. Wilson, B.D., pastor, Tangapahoa Church, Summit; Mrs. Bryon Mathis, M.R.E., pastor's wife, Seminary; Mary Bess Matthews, M.R.E., Hattiesburg, Mission Volunteer; Mrs. Virgil Davis, B.R.E., Oakvale, pastor's wife; LaVelle Coker, Certificate in Christian Training, Brookhaven, prepared for church secretary; and Edgar A. Young, Certificate in Christian Training, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, Brookhaven.

(Editor's Note: Mississippi churches should not overlook these trained, consecrated Christian workers. They are ours and unless God leads otherwise we want them back home.)

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD
50 Years Ago

The Water Valley Baptist Church sends in \$300 for Mississippi College's President's home.

40 Years Ago

Rev. T. L. Holcomb, pastor at Yazoo City, is holding a revival meeting in the Baptist Orphanage, with splendid interest among the children.

25 Years Ago

A revival meeting in the First Church, Biloxi, led by Evangelists W. W. Kyzar and Joe Canzoneri, resulted in 41 additions, of whom 24 were by baptism.

Pastor R. A. Eddleman of Webb has induced his church to put the Baptist Record in the homes of the membership. The Oakland Church does the same under the leadership of Pastor R. L. Breland and Brother L. E. Lightsey.

Jackson Alta Woods Building Launched Ground Broken For New Unit

Alta Woods Baptist Church broke ground the past week for a church building.

This solid brick structure is to be the chapel of a four unit plan adopted by the church earlier this month. At present this 400-seating capacity chapel will serve as the church auditorium, but will take on the dual purpose of chapel and adult assembly hall after the four-unit plan is completed.

The church is located one block west of Terry Road at the corner of Oakhurst and Colonial Drives adjacent the ground of the soon-to-be-constructed city school for the Alta Woods area.

Pastor Percy M. Cooper accepted Alta Woods pastorate last December to be his fourth pastorate. He has led in a building program in each of these pastorates, three of which have been newly formed churches. In two of these fields the building program included the building or securing of a pastorium.

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The Registrar

Sunday School and Training Union Attendance

February 25, 1951

Springfield (Scott Co.)	84	20
Laurel, Second Avenue	423	108
Laurel, First	484	134
Laurel, Highland	106	81
Ingomar (Union County)	161	84
Antioch (Neshoba Co.)	43	45
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	97	52
Salem (Lauderdale County)	91	65
Tupelo, Harrisburg	526	186
Lucedale	360	171
New Hope (Marion Co.)	133	154
Columbus, East End	217	113
Louisville, First	459	135
East Louisville	89	64
Holly Bluff	131	64
Columbus, First	991	336
West Laurel	395	109
Harmony (Jones County)	90	47
Kosciusko, First	636	178
Bruce	278	109
Magnolia, First	252	121
Mission	87	44
Hattiesburg, Main Street	903	276
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	99	75
Grenada, First	727	111
Newton	427	194
Crystal Springs, First	654	215
New Prospect (Lincoln Co.)	172	106
Brookhaven, First	1,035	389
Main School	809	238
Hamilton Street Chapel	103	76
Central Chapel	123	77
Florence, Steen's Creek	166	74
Calhoun City, First	307	129
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	118	65
Fair River (Lincoln County)	65	43
Gulfport, First	700	245
Houston, First	233	90
Bethlehem (Jones County)	121	133
Bethel (Pearl River Co.)	106	114
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	152	97
Columbia, First	667	203
South Columbia	84	
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	73	59
South McComb	229	59
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	76	42
Jackson, First	1,366	505
Broadmoor	134	41
Leland, Bogue Mission	111	
Jackson, Van Winkle	464	237
Calvary	1,295	303
Calvary Mission	13	24
Northside	532	145
Daniel Memorial	377	176
Southside	319	133
East Side	120	71
Parkway	888	488
Parkway Chapel	102	53
Crestwood	554	351
Paul Truitt (Rankin Co.)	176	127
Pascagoula, First	876	382
Main School	585	248
Eastlawn Mission	67	38
Unity Mission	84	54
Orange Grove Mission	47	43
McArthur Mission	40	
Jackson Avenue Mission	53	
Meridian, First	710	80
Highland	515	186
Fifteenth Avenue	470	100
Fifteenth Avenue Chapel	33	
South Side	336	144
Poplar Springs	322	121
Poplar Springs Mission	29	25
Forty-First Avenue	305	87
Oak Grove	119	80
Key Field	109	49
February 18, 1951		
Tupelo, Harrisburg	500	167
Mt. Vernon (Leflore Co.)	63	48
Sharon (Jones County)	126	124
Columbus, East End	214	103
Antioch (Neshoba Co.)	59	64
Holly Bluff (Yazoo County)	117	51
McComb, Locust Street	64	

THE EFFICIENCY FILING SYSTEM

(35 cents) will be a great help in many church offices. Its 30 pages give a complete filing system which can also be used by other denominations. The book includes a list of subject headings, common abbreviations used in filing, notes on the list of subject headings and instructions about how to use such a file. Published by the Broadman Press and written by Leslie Robinson Elliott, the book may be secured from the Baptist Book Store.

You Can't Lose!

Mr. B. became a member of the Minister's Retirement Plan in 1940, when it came into force in Mississippi. He retired September 1, 1947. He paid the maximum monthly payments during these years—a total of \$860.

He gets a check each month now for \$100.00, and in the more than three years of retirement, he has gotten more than he put into the plan.

These facts may not fit your case, but why not find out what the Minister's Retirement Plan has for you?

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SPEAKERS' TOURNAMENT



for
Young People

! Regarding the Young People's Speaking Tournament to be held in each District Training Union Convention.

This year in our Better Speaking Tournament for the Young People, we are carrying out the plan for our Southwide Speakers' Tournament with this exception; we are not asking the speakers to hand in a typewritten copy of their speech. However, if you should be the winner in your association, district and state and go to Ridgecrest to compete there, you will have to comply with this rule also. Write us for leaflet giving southwide rules.

The general plan, as you know, is for each church to enlist as many of the young people (17-24 inclusive) as they can, select the best speaker and let this one represent the church at the Association. The winner there will represent the association at the District Convention, and the winner in the District Convention will speak at the State Training Union Convention. The winner there will be eligible to represent Mississippi at the Southwide Speakers' Tournament, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Blue Mountain College offers a \$100 scholarship to the girl who makes the highest score among the girls, and Mississippi College offers a \$100 scholarship to the boy making the highest score among the boys in the State Speakers' Tournament held at the State Training Union Convention.

It is inspiring each year to see so many of our young people training themselves to be good witnesses for the Master. We are eager for you to participate and to help make this the best feature of all in our District Conventions.

Each speaker will have six minutes. It will be better to plan it to come within five minutes. Subjects to choose from are listed below:

Choose You This Day
 Mobilizing Christian Youth Through the Young People's Union
 Conformed or Transformed?
 Youth in Evangelism
 Choosing Friends Wisely
 Can I Afford to Be Popular?
 Are Home Ideals Real?
 Life's Supreme Motive
 Christian Education for Creative Living

The Christian's Place in Today's World
 What Will a Youth Buy with His Life?
 Prayer and Power
 Making a Living or Making a Life?
 God's Offer Versus Satan's Bid
 Standing Up for Jesus
 Others or Self?
 By Love Compelled

GARAYWA IS CALLING YOU

A sheet giving information about our Training Union Assembly at Camp Garaywa is ready for you. SAVE YOUR DIMES! A dime a day from now 'til Assembly time will take care of your expenses there for a week. SAVE YOUR DIMES! For those under 13 the rate will be \$12.00 for the full assembly (either week). Thirteen and over the rate will be \$14.00—Monday night supper through Saturday morning breakfast. BRING THE FAMILY! A reservation deposit of \$1.50 will be required for each person. This will be part of your \$12.00 or \$14.00. Cancellations can be made and reservation fee returned as late as JUNE 15, if you find you cannot come.

—BR—
Ellisville To Build \$40,000 Ed. Unit

The Ellisville Church has voted unanimously to begin construction immediately of a new educational building. The construction will be under the supervision of Milburn Meadows.

The estimated cost is \$40,000. The work will consist of renovating the present educational building into a two story structure and the construction of a new two story building connecting to the present building at the back. The completed unit will provide for 620 Sunday School and Training Union members. There will be seven departments housed in the structure.

The building will be divided into 35 class rooms, a pastor's office and study, offices for the Sunday School superintendent, the Training Union director and the church secretary, and a library.

Rev. William L. Clark is the pastor. Members of the building committee are: H. S. D. Jordan, Sr., chairman; Dr. C. S. Williams, Lee Sumrall, J. M. Powell and J. B. Young.

ANTIOCH GOES FORWARD

Antioch Church in Neshoba County is going forward under the leadership of the new pastor, Rev. Percy L. Williams, a Clarke College student.

The church promotes a half-time program and a weekly prayer service.

A Sunday School study course has been completed with Rev. H. T. McLaurin teaching "The Bible and Prayer" to the adults and young people and the pastor teaching "The Meaning of Church Membership" to the Juniors and Intermediates.

A Training Union study course has been planned and a religious census has been taken in preparation for the Simultaneous Crusade. Pastor Williams is to preach during the crusade revival.

The church has voted to make the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record a part of its program.

FIRST, BILOXI BREAKS GROUND FOR ED. ANNEX

The congregation of the First Church, Biloxi, met following the morning worship service on February 18 for the Ground-Breaking Ceremony for the educational Annex.

Hymns, Scripture, prayer and responsive reading were parts of the ceremony. Taking part in breaking the ground were: L. H. Williams, chairman of the building committee of the church 26 years ago; Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor; L. F. Allen, chairman of the building committee; O. H. Longcoy, Brotherhood president; Mrs. M. H. Dees, W.M.U. president; Marie Iatil, Training Union director; Grandma Williams, oldest member of the congregation; Hoffman Harris, assistant pastor.

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CALHOUN CITY STUDY COURSE ENROLLS 188

First Church, Calhoun City, completed a most successful All-Church Training School, February 12-16. There were eight classes and a Story Hour offered in the school.

The Place of the Sunday School in Evangelism was taught by Rev. John B. Laney, missionary in Calhoun Association. Rex Martin and Mrs. Josh Adams taught *How To Win To Christ* and *A Winning Witness*; Intermediate books offered were *A Faith To Live By*, taught by L. Ford Harrelson, and *Witnessing for Christ*, Lee Thompson. In the Junior Department, Mrs. Aubrey Edmondson, taught *The Junior Baptist*, and the younger Juniors studied *Living for Jesus* with Miss Nita Clare Hardin. Story Hour leaders were Mrs. Curtis Goodson, Mrs. Z. W. Powell, Mrs. R. L. Spencer, Mrs. Bill Bradford, Mrs. J. B. Foley and the book used was *Lily May and Dan*. The Pastor, Rev. Clarence Cutrell, taught *Soul Winning Doctrines*.

There was a total of 188 enrolled, and the school was the church's third step in preparation for the Evangelistic Crusade. The Bible and Prayer by Dr. R. G. Lee, was studied the first week in January and a Religious Census was completed February 11.

—BR—
Smith Association Plans Rally Mar. 13

The Smith County Association will hold a Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade Rally at Taylorsville Church on March 13. The meeting will begin at 7:30, according to an announcement by Rev. Quenten Floyd, pastor of the Raleigh Church.

This meeting will combine the Men's Rally and Young People's Rally, as per the suggestion of the Steering Committee. Supper will not be served.

Dr. John E. Barnes will be the speaker. Special music will be furnished by Woman's College, and several young people will give personal testimonies. A brief program outlining personal soul-winning will be given by the men.

175 GIRLS ATTEND YWA HOUSE PARTY AT MWC

Approximately 175 attended the annual Y.W.A. house party at Mississippi Woman's College, which was held the week-end of February 10-11. Because of limited accommodations only the YWA's from District VII and VIII of the WMU and Hinds County Federation were invited this time.

The theme was "Speak to My Heart." A guided tour of the campus, "Fun Time" sponsored by the Athletic Board, a tea in the President's home, a formal dinner, vesper service and movie were part of the first day's entertainment.

Morning watch, directed by Miss Nell Taylor, State Young People's Secretary, began the Sunday program. Following services at the Immanuel Church where Dr. I. E. Rouse, Woman's College President, delivered the message and the College choir furnished special music, dinner was served in the college dining hall.

Chairmen of the various committees for the house party were: Hilda Barber, Carriere, invitations; Betty Love Stewart, Mobile, and Jackie Shipp, Rome, preparation; Helen Sansing, Stringer, Charlene Allman, Louisville and Betty Merle Parish, Sumrall, program; Charlene Allman and Gayle Shelton, Hattiesburg, decorations; Joann Weaver, Hattiesburg, registration, and Betty Jo Pigott, Tylertown, reception.

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J. E. SINGLETERRY SR.
 On the morning of January 23, the Lord in His divine wisdom saw fit to release Bro. J. E. Singleterry, Sr., from worldly cares to his heavenly home.

We shall miss him in a great way, but we know that the Lord does not make mistakes, for He tells us in His Word that "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord," to the caller according to his purpose and though it is our loss, it is Heavens gain. We must double our efforts to carry the Lord's work on until He says it is enough, and we, too, can come away.

Bro. Singleterry was a faithful and loved member of the Spanish Fort Baptist Church at Spanish Fort, Miss., for many years and even though he was handicapped from a stroke, he was always to be found in God's house on His day, loyal to God, his church and his fellowmen.

As a fine Christian and true friend to everyone, Mr. Singleterry will be missed by all.

Our love and sympathy goes out to the wife and family in this dark hour, to the end that we may join with them in their sorrows also cognizant of that happy day when we shall see him again.

Spanish Fort Baptist Church
 MRS. LESLIE THOMPSON, Clerk

—BR—
Gulfport Pastor Has Fourth Anniversary

The First Church, Gulfport celebrated the fourth anniversary of Dr. Joe T. Odle as their pastor by dedicating to him and his family the February 18 issue of THE BUILDER, church bulletin, and holding a reception for them at the close of the evening service.

During these four years there have been 1,108 additions to the church, 356 by baptism, making the total membership reach 2,344. Gifts to missions have increased from \$9,350 the first year to \$19,607 the past year. A total of \$52,736 has been given to missions during these years.

Sunday School enrolment has grown from 704 to 1,327; Training Union, from 154 to 303; Brotherhood from 50 to 70, and the W.M.U. from 222 with nine organizations to 314 with 13 organizations.

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Thursday, March 1, 1951

Southern Baptists
And Social SecurityBy DR. WALTER R. ALEXANDER
Executive Secretary
Relief and Annuity Board

Three articles have already appeared in this series. In this one, we need to give careful thought to one paragraph in the Executive Committee's Nashville statement. We have already expressed appreciation for it, and here and now do so again. I refer to the paragraph:

"We respectfully urge all institutions and agencies that may participate in the Social Security Plan to continue their participation in the Relief and Annuity Board's retirement plans."

In other words, they urged such participants to make the benefits payable under Federal Social Security supplemental to those payable to members of the retirement plans already being operated by the Relief and Annuity Board, rather than as a substitute for them.

SUPPLEMENTAL TO

It should be known to all concerned that the Congress and the Social Security Board have never looked upon benefits under Federal Social Security as sufficient in themselves. The team they have consistently used is "floor of protection." Thus, industry has always been urged to provide additional benefits by way of pension and retirement programs. Social Security benefits can never be large on the present participation basis—that is, 1½ per cent of the salary of the employee, matched by a like amount from the employer, and that basis will rise but slowly for some years in the future. Then, too, the benefits are proportionately smaller as the monthly salary figure increases, and are wholly inadequate for all in the higher salaried brackets. Retirement plans such as those operated by the Relief and Annuity Board may well constitute, therefore, the superstructure of the "House of Security," when the benefits of Federal Social Security lay the floor of protection.

Some institutions among Southern Baptists are seriously considering entering Social Security, fully intending to continue their participation in the plans of their denominational Board. If participation in both plans can be maintained through the years, the employees of such groups will have something really worthwhile to anticipate as old age pension: a worthy retirement under the plan of the denominational Board, and a supplementary old age pension from the Federal Government.

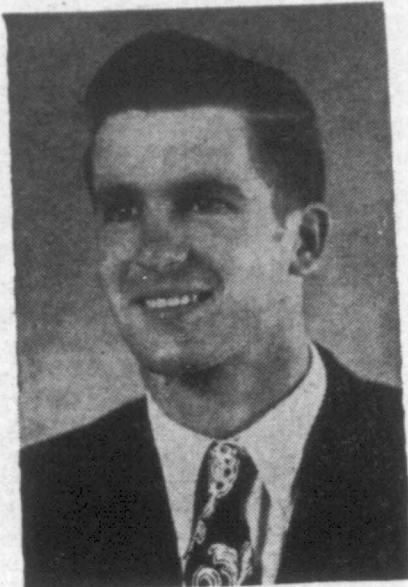
But we must face the fact that economic conditions can well arise in this country making it practically impossible for salaried people to remain dues-paying members of both plans. In such a situation, they would find themselves compelled to carry what offers them less benefits in the end, therefore forced to drop their coverage with their denominational Board, although that is of greater value to them.

This is the unforeseen at present, but quite likely to become an actuality at some date in the future, to the disappointment and financial loss of many such individuals.

SUBSTITUTE FOR

One senior college has already entered Social Security and served notice upon the denominational Board that they wish to terminate their retirement plan with the Board at an early date. They have been very careful to say there has been no dissatisfaction with the plan the denominational Board has operated for them for some years past. They expressed their deep regret at the necessity for such termination, stating the institution was unable financially to carry both. Thus, we have our first concrete case of "substitution for" rather than "supplemental to."

Such action may prove a financial blessing to some few in their employ, but automatically means greatly reduced age annuities for the majority of them to anticipate. The participation basis

Leland Mission Led
By Newell Massey

REV. NEWELL MASSEY

Bogue Mission, sponsored by the First Church, Leland, is making progress under the leadership of their new pastor, Rev. Newell Massey, who came on the field January 15. The mission was organized during the pastorate of Rev. Chester Quarles, now State Secretary. Before Mr. Massey was called, the mission was directed by Pastor Wilfred M. Lee who did the preaching each Sunday afternoon, led the prayer services and fostered the work of the mission along with his full-time program at the First Church.

Heretofore the mission has promoted afternoon services, but effective February 25 a morning program was begun including Sunday School and a worship service. A goal of 100 was set for Sunday School attendance on that day. The goal was not only reached, but passed with 111 attending.

The mission has approximately 121 members. The building is an attractive frame structure, erected by the Bogue members and the First Church. It provides an auditorium, which seats approximately 150, seven class rooms and a kitchen. Approximately 35 attend mid-week prayer services.

Mr. Massey, a senior student at Mississippi College, also serves as assistant pastor of the Leland Church. The young people of the First Church, Leland, have taken charge of the evening service,

of the plan was 5%-5%. Thus, 10% of the individual's salary was going into the plan each year to create retirement annuities. This, they have exchanged for Social Security, with a present 1½%-1½% basis of participation, a total of only 3% of the individual's salary paid toward the creation of old age pensions. The institution will be put to less expense than heretofore. So will the individual. But the retirement annuities will be pitifully small compared with what these individuals would have received under the plan carried with the denominational Board.

One vital matter needs to be mentioned here. If a choice is made between the retirement plans of the denominational Board and Federal Social Security, in favor of the latter, some of the denominational plans will be seriously jeopardized. This is particularly true of the Baptist Boards Employees Retirement Plan. It is a group plan, requiring the steady influx of new members through the years in order to pay the liberal benefits it promises. Such influx of new life would cease, as all new employees would be compelled to participate under Federal Social Security. This could well mean, after the lapse of 10 or 15 years, a situation that would call for vast denominational subsidies because of such loss incurred.

— BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —
W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary JO ANN SUMMERS, Office SecretaryA CHURCH UTILIZING ITS
MANPOWER

The Baptist Brotherhood is proving an effective agency in our churches for the enlisting and utilizing of manpower in all of the work of the church and denomination.

1. The Brotherhood Defined.

A church Brotherhood is a group (large or small) of consecrated men, members of the church, who have banded themselves together for the sole purpose of promoting the full program of their church and denomination. While so doing, they seek to enlist every man who is a member of the church in doing the same thing.

2. Purpose.

The main purpose of the Brotherhood is to bring all men of a church together to discuss, adopt, and project a program of activity that will strengthen every phase of the work of their church and denomination. To achieve this purpose the Brotherhood will continually seek to discover, challenge, and utilize men in the promotion of a program which is manly in its appeal and application.

3. Aims and Objectives

- (1) Loyalty to Christ, to the church, and to the pastor as leader of all its work.
- (2) Co-operation with every agency and organization of the church and denomination.
- (3) Constant emphasis upon the necessity of personal consecration for worthy Christian stewardship of home, self, substance, and service.
- (4) A greater emphasis upon individual and group effort in evangelism.
- (5) Increased circulation of our denominational papers and publications.
- (6) A wider and deeper study of the missionary, educational, and benevolent work of Southern Baptists in the state, the homeland, and the world.

- (7) An aggressive effort by men to reach, win, and develop boys through Christian companionship and guidance.
- (8) Tithes and offerings brought regularly into the church and increased offerings in emergencies.
- (9) Progressive advance in church budgets both for local needs and denominational causes in order that the gospel may be proclaimed to the uttermost part of the earth.
- (10) A increasing proportion of church receipts distributed through the Co-operative Program for denominational causes.
- (11) Liberal support and patronage of denominational institutions.
- (12) A continuing effort through the Brotherhood to promote Christian fellowship and to enlist, organize, and utilize all the men of all our churches in active Christian service.

When the men of the church are effectively enlisted in the promotion of the Brotherhood, then every phase of the church and denominational life will be magnified and strengthened.

4. Four Major Activities for 1951.

- (1) Evangelism.
- (2) Man and Boy Movement.
- (3) Co-operative Program.
- (4) Baptist Foundation.

5. The Test.

No Brotherhood really justifies its existence in a church unless it plans for and carries through a program of activity which is aimed to develop the men of the church into becoming stronger Christians and, at the same time, utilizes their efforts in and through a program of practical activity which will be instrumental in strengthening the work and ministry of their church.

presenting a youth-centered program under the direction of Mr. Massey with Pastor Wilfred M. Lee bringing the message.

Mrs. Massey, the former Barbara Donahue, is a graduate of Mississippi College.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- March 5—Union County Associational Simultaneous Sunday School Campaign; Clarke College Focus Week; Home Mission Week of Prayer; Simultaneous Baptist Men's Rally.
- March 6—Mrs. Sam J. Simmons, Grenada Associational WMU Superintendent; Mrs. E. C. Foster, Woman's College hostess.
- March 7—Joe Ussery, Columbus Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. N. N. Barfield, Assistant Director of Nurses, Baptist Hospital.
- March 8—Miss Carolyn Madison, Elementary Secretary, Sunday School Department; Mrs. Ruth Sutton, House Mother, Baptist Orphanage.
- March 9—Rev. W. C. Gann, District VI Training Union President; Phillip N. Kellogg, Blue Mountain College faculty.
- March 10—Mrs. Arden Barnett, Mississippi College faculty; Charles Manburg, Pearl River Associational Brotherhood president.
- March 11—Mrs. Bessie Kent, Clarke College trustee.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY, LOUISVILLE, has reserved the Gold Room of the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Calif., for its annual Alumni Breakfast Thursday, June 21, at 7:30 a. m. The breakfast will be open not only to alumni but to their wives and other friends of the seminary. Reservations may be made by sending \$2 for each person to Public Relations Department, Southern Seminary.



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DR. WM. P. PHILLIPS

Dr. Wm. P. Phillips, General Associate, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will direct the Adult Conferences at the Mississippi Sunday School Convention, in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, March 13-14.

Dr. Phillips is one of the best informed Sunday school leaders among us. He has done an outstanding work during many years of successful service among Southern Baptists, and has made a great contribution to the Sunday school program of our denomination.

Adult workers over the state will not let this great privilege pass without taking full advantage of it. Therefore, make plans now to attend the Convention and these conferences.

DO YOU WANT
OVERNIGHT ENTERTAINMENT?

If you want entertainment in a home for the Sunday School Convention, March 13-14, write, to the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., and it will be provided for you at \$1.00 per person per night.

Please do this at once and not wait until arrival in Jackson. That will be too late. So, write soon.

A GOOD GAIN

Information has come from the Nashville office saying that the net Sunday school enrolment gain for last year was 381,806.

That is an encouraging gain, and we are happy that so many people and churches had a part in it. Let's make it more for this year.

OUR CONVENTION PROGRAM

We give below the program of our Sunday School Convention, which meets in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, March 13-14.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

Morning

- 9:45 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 10:00 We Need Good Books—Mrs. O. M. Jones
- 10:20 We Need Good Teaching—A. V. Washburn
- 11:00 Music
- 11:05 The Sunday School and State Missions—Chester L. Quarles
- 11:45 Announcements
- 11:50 Adjourn

Afternoon

- 1:30 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 1:45 We Need Good Administration—J. Earl Mead
- 2:45 Presenting Conference Leaders
- 2:50 Department Conferences

4:30 Adjourn

Evening

- 6:45 Department Conferences
- 7:45 General Assembly
- 7:50 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 8:10 The Sunday School and the Evangelistic Crusade—Dr. R. G. Lee
- 9:10 Adjourn

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

Morning

- 9:30 Department Conferences
- 10:45 General Assembly
- 10:50 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 11:00 We Need Good Literature—Miss Robbie Trent
- 11:25 We Need a Good Program—Wm. P. Phillips
- 12:00 Adjourn

Afternoon

- 1:30 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 1:45 We Need Good Buildings—W. A. Harrell
- 2:25 We Need More Administration—J. Earl Mead
- 3:15 Department Conferences
- 4:30 Adjourn
- Evening
- 7:30 Worship and Praise—W. L. Compere
- 7:50 Announcements
- 8:00 Mississippi College Chorale Choir
- 8:15 We Need Christian Leadership—Dr. D. M. Nelson
- 9:00 Final Adjournment

CONFERENCE LEADERS

- Cradle Roll Miss Bertha Mills
- Nursery Mrs. H. R. Jones
- Beginner Miss Blossom Thompson
- Primary Mrs. W. G. Rutledge
- Junior Miss Robbie Trent
- Intermediate Miss Mary Virginia Lee
- Young People Gainer E. Bryan, Jr.
- Adult Wm. P. Phillips
- Extension Mrs. Will S. McCraw

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Clarke Extension
Set Up At Raleigh

An Extension Branch of Clarke College has been established at Raleigh, under the directorship of Rev. Q. E. Floyd. Classes begin on March 23 and will meet each Friday night.

Dr. W. A. Keel, Taylorsville pastor, and Rev. N. F. Davis, Forest pastor, compose the faculty. Forty-two students from three counties have been enrolled. Courses being taught are: Church Music, Bible Doctrines, and New Testament Evangelism.

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Laurel First Accepts
Building Plan

First Baptist Church, Laurel, Rev. T. R. McKibbens, pastor, has given hearty approval to the first progress report of the building committee, headed by co-chairmen Homer Denham, Sr., and Sam Pack.

The report embraces a three-fold plan: the construction of a modern educational building to accommodate 1200 in Sunday School; the building to be located on the site of the present church annex; and the structure to be a separate build with an estimated cost of \$225,000.

Plans are underway to bring the funds for the construction up to one-third the estimated cost before construction is begun.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

ITTA BENA

While Itta Bena is seeking a pastor to succeed Rev. A. L. Gatewood, recently resigned, we had the pleasure of supplying the pulpit on three Sundays in January.

Although shocked at the loss of their pastor, the Itta Bena saints are carrying on and are earnestly seeking the Lord's man. All organizations are functioning as if a pastor were on the field.

Record readers in Leflore County are now listed as follows: GREENWOOD, CALVARY, 299; GREENWOOD, FIRST, 654; LOWLAND, 28; MORGAN CITY, 38; MT. VERNON, 34; Phillis-ton, 13; RIVERSIDE, 51; SCHLATER, 46; SIDON, 54; ITTA BENA, 95; Half Mile, 1.

McCOOL GETS E. F. PLAN

The McCool Church in Attala has voted to join the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. The McCool Church has been a supporter of the Baptist Record for a long time, but heretofore has subscribed in a paid-in-advance group.

Recently a list of 19 names was sent in with instructions to send the bill monthly to Miss Bobbie J. McDaniel. Rev. Billy Fancher is the pastor.

Record readers in Attala County are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH, 19; Bear Creek, 1; BERE, 41; CARSON RIDGE, 39; COUNTY LINE, 50; Ebenezer, 3; EDGEFIELD, 30; ETHEL, 66; Hurricane, 3; Jerusalem, 1; KOSCIUSKO FIRST, 391; KOSCIUSKO SECOND, 20; McAdams, 4; McCOOL, 19; New Salem, 15; NORTH UNION, 24; Pleasant Ridge, 10; Sallis, 6; Sand Hill, 1; UNITY, 39; WILLIAMSVILLE, 56; NEW HOPE, 22.

PINE BLUFF IS BACK

Pine Bluff Church in Copiah County knows now what it is to be without the Record and they write that they want to again make it a part of their program.

The church formerly had the Baptist Record, but dropped it. And while they were without it they missed the good that it did. Under the leadership of Pastor Aubrey L. Moore the church has again made the Record a part of its program. A list of 56 names has been received with instructions to send the bill monthly to E. W. Donahoe.

Record readers in Copiah County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 17; BETHEL, 65; Carpenter, 1; COUNTY LINE, 84; CRYSTAL SPRINGS, 389; DAMASCUS, 42; GALILEE, 26; GALLMAN, 28; Gatesville, 1; GEORGETOWN, 73; Harmony, 7; HAZLEHURST, 182; HOPEWELL, 45; Mission Hill, 1; NEW PROVIDENCE, 20; New Zion, 3; PEARL VALLEY, 28; PILGRIM'S REST, 53; PINE BLUFF, 56; PLEASANT HILL, 36; POPLAR SPRINGS, 31; Rockport, 8; SARDIS, 36; SHADY GROVE, 47; SMYRNA, 27; SPRING HILL, 54; STRONG HOPE, 59; SYLVARENA, 45; WESSON, 98; ZION HILL, 42.

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CLINTON, FEB. 22 — THE GIRL'S division of the Mississippi College Debate Group will participate in the Magnolia Debate Tournament at M.S.C.W., March 2-3. The following students will take part: Martha Maxwell, Memphis; Betty Jo Raspberry, Soso; Martha Howington, Jackson; Frances Boyte, Port Gibson; Lillian Smith, Tutwiler; Lynne Royals, Jackson; Eloise Coward, McCall Creek; Carlene Brooks, Memphis; and Bebe Alexander, Hollandale.

Baptist Papers Make
Amazing Progress
From 1940 to 1950

By LOUIE D. NEWTON
Chairman SBC Committee
State Baptist Papers

At Baltimore, in 1940, the editors of the State Baptist Papers requested the Southern Baptist Convention to appoint a committee to serve in cooperation with the Editors and State Secretaries in an effort to increase the circulation of the State Baptist Papers. I was named chairman of the SBC Committee. Dr. Truett followed with his notable address, urging pastors everywhere to unite in under-gridding our Baptist work by putting a Baptist paper in every Baptist home.

Our first task was to make a survey of the actual circulation, per state, and make plans to increase every paper's circulation. I was ably assisted by Mrs. Manon Seawell, then of The Baptist Standard, Dr. Lewis A. Meyers, then Editor of The Baptist Advance, and Dr. E. C. Routh, then Editor of The Baptist Messenger. We found the total circulation of the 19 State Baptist Papers in 1940 to be 192,000. At that time there were 4,949,174 members of Southern Baptist churches, and we estimated there were 1,237,293 Baptist homes in our fellowship. We set a goal of 500,000 subscribers to our 19 State Baptist Papers by 1945, the Centennial Year of the Convention. Then came Pearl Harbor, the paper shortage, and all-out war. Although we could not hold the Centennial Convention, we did have 547,254 total circulation by 1945, and 1945 the Convention voted unanimously and enthusiastically to undertake a circulation goal of 1,000,000 by 1950.

A Deepening Appreciation

Enheartened by genuine cooperation from state and southwide leaders, the pastors everywhere took hold of this far-fetched effort, adopting the budget plan as the simplest and surest method of putting our Baptist papers in our Baptist homes. There were variations in the budget plan, but the results were uniformly encouraging, and our people were convinced that if we are to go forward, we must be informed, indoctrinated and inspired.

At the end of 1950 we had more than 850,000 circulation of our now 22 state Baptist papers, representing an increase of more than four times the circulation of 1940. We are well on our way to the goal of 1,000,000 circulation, and when we reach that goal, we will lift up another banner for the years ahead.

The circulation of the Baptist Record in 1940 was 20,033. Last week's circulation was 67,901.

Pre-Convention Bargain
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April 22

Watch for a later announcement from

The Commission

Thursday, March 1, 1961

Sparks & Splinters

DR. ROBERT G. LEE, PASTOR OF the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., and president of the Southern Baptist Convention has recently conducted revival services in the First Southern Baptist Church, Tucson, Arizona, of which Dr. Selwyn S. Smith is pastor. There was a total of 101 decisions, with 43 professions of faith. Dr. Lee's ministry was a great blessing to this entire section as well as to the church. By registration, it was discovered that he was literally preaching to people of the entire North American Continent and had Indians, Mexicans and Chinese in the services with a number of Chinese making professions of faith.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-ceived a list of preachers in Oklahoma and Texas who are available as evangelists for the Crusade, March 25-April 8. Any pastor needing help of this kind may write the Baptist Record for the list.

BELZONI, —(RNS)— MAYOR JOE L. Pursell, in an official proclamation, set 10 a. m. each day as a time of prayer for God's guidance and protection upon America. A whistle at the city light plant is to be sounded and church bells rung to remind people of the prayer hour. Citizens are urged to go to their respective churches or to offer silent prayer as they go about their duties.

THE CHURCH IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD by Oliver S. Tompkins is an introduction to the work of the Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches. In a few brief chapters it gives a background history from Lausanne 1927 to Lund, Sweden 1952, with a special chapter on the meeting at Amsterdam in 1948. Southern Baptists have not taken any part in the union movement, but they should, at least, know the other side. The price of the booklet is 50 cents and may be ordered from the World Council of Churches at 297 Fourth Avenue, New York.

REV. J. EDWIN HEWLETT, PASTOR of Southwest Church, St. Louis, Mo., writes that a few of the St. Louis pastors have not been engaged for the Evangelistic Crusade. Anyone desiring help may write Mr. Hewlett, who will put them in touch with available preachers.

REV. J. EDWIN HEWLETT, PASTOR of Southwest Church, St. Louis, will be the preacher during the Crusade at Clear Creek Church in Lafayette County, near Oxford. His great-great uncle pastored this church 40 years, his grandfather for over 20 years and then his uncle, the late J. R. G. Hewlett was pastor when he died about eight years ago.

THE FACULTY AND STUDENTS OF Mississippi College have been asked to vote on their desire for an Air Force ROTC. An official from the Air Force recently spent the day in Clinton investigating the situation. If a unit is established at Mississippi College, it will not be started before next September.

DURING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5-9 a study course was held at the Byhall Church, Marshall County. Rev. Frank Roblin of Rienzi taught the book, "The Doctrine of Soul Winning." The high attendance was 23.

MISS SALLIE AURIS PENDER, Southern Baptist missionary to China, is planning to leave Hong Kong on February 28. She is a native of West, Mississippi.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-ceived a copy of the minutes of the Madison County Association. It is interesting to note in the statistical table that only four churches do not have the BAPTIST RECORD in their budget. The minutes are attractive and are of good quality, both in material and work done. Rev. C. O. Estes is the moderator and Floyd E. Johnson is the clerk.

"TOMORROW IS THE DAY WHEN the idle man works, the fool reforms, the thief becomes honest, the drunkard sober, the libertine pure. Tomorrow is a period nowhere to be found except, perhaps, in the fool's calendar. God's call is not a call for tomorrow, but for TODAY."—Robert G. Lee, The Sunday School Builder.

BSUERS AND OTHERS WILL BE IN-terested in the write-up of the "Mississippi B.S.U. Convention" which appears in the March Baptist Student Magazine. The write-up includes five photographs of Convention personalities on the Mississippi Southern campus during the 1950 fall meeting.

OFFICERS OF THE SENIOR CLASS at Southern Seminary, Louisville, are: F. Lawson Pankey, Pamplin, Va., president; Dottson L. Mills, Miami, Fla., vice president; and Hugh McKinley, Miami, Fla., secretary.

THE LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY BAP-tist Pastors' Conference sends resolutions regarding the going of Rev. W. G. Fields to the pastorate of First Church, Yazoo City. The resolutions speak in highest terms of the work of Dr. Fields. They are signed by the secretary, Rev. E. E. Ballard.

REV. AND MRS. JAMES D. BELOTE, Southern Baptist Missionaries to China, arrived in New York on February 8. After a visit in Washington, D. C., with Mr. Belote's relatives, they will be located in Sumner, Mississippi. Mrs. Belote is a native of Water Valley, Mississippi. She is the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. C. S. Bigham.

DUBLIN CHURCH, WHICH NOW PRO-motes a half-time program, held a Stewardship Revival February 11-16, with a different minister bringing the message each night. Eight young people made professions of faith. Rev. Charles L. Bryant is the pastor.

A CABLEGRAM FROM DR. BAKER James Cauthen in Hong Kong reports information from Wuchow stating that Dr. William L. Wallace died February 10 and was buried in the Christian Cemetery on February 12. As yet no details as to the immediate cause of his death are available.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS THE name of a good Mississippian who is now in Louisiana but who would like to come back home. Any church needing a pastor may write the editor of the Baptist Record.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-ceived a copy of the minutes of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention in its 1950 meeting. The minutes are well prepared and list information concerning the 36 churches constituting the Convention. The index is a good aid in locating material within the 86 pages.

THE MARCH ISSUE OF THE SUN-day School Builder carries an article which will be of particular interest to Mississippians entitled "A Country Church Develops a Full-Time Program." It concerns the interesting program of the Paul Truitt Church, near Jackson, and is written by its pastor, Rev. Grady H. Smith.

THERE WERE 87 ENROLED IN THE study course of the River Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, the last week in February. Dr. Cecil Jones taught the book "The Bible and Prayer." Rev. Garland McInnis is the pastor.

VOLUMES I, II, AND III ON PSALMS have recently been released from the press in the series entitled BARNES ON THE OLD TESTAMENT by Albert Barnes. Each volume, published by the Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, contains from 400 to 500 pages and are priced at \$3.00 each. The exposition is clear, concise and complete. When all are published the entire Bible commentary will include 24 volumes. Those having secured a copy of the volumes already released will especially be anxious to secure these new volumes. Order from the Baptist Book Store, or from the publisher.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

W.M.U. CONVENTION March 20-22

Convention Speaker



MISS MARTHA LINDA FRANKS

Miss Franks is one of the most alert enthusiastic and vivacious missionary speakers among our missionaries. She was Dean of Women in our Baptist Seminary in Shanghai, China.

HOME MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER March 5-9

As we pray together for Home Missions during the week of March 5-9, how about setting aside 10 minutes of each day's meeting for praying definitely for the EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE—for the unsaved in your community—that each of us will be faithful-witnesses in our living and speaking.

OUR INDIAN FRIENDS

Brother John Isaacs, missionary of the Home Mission Board, has recently gone to the Indian mission field in Alabama, and is living at Calvert. He started holding services at the old Mt. Moriah church, where we have had very little Baptist work for a long time. Recently he had thirty people in services. The work promises to grow and prosper, if he can find time, in addition to his other duties, to arrange for regular services on that field.

Mrs. Isaacs told of one lady in the community who was so much interested in Baptist work that she invited Miss Malone, our missionary there before she left that field, to hold services in

her home. These services were started last summer right after vacation Bible school. The attendance has grown until, at an afternoon service in January, there about thirty people present. It seems that we will soon be able to start a church in that community. All of this work is being supported largely by Woman's Missionary Union, while the women of Mobile, nearby, are helping very effectively in this work also.

Mrs. Mary Anderson, a very faithful attendant of the Indian Center in Oklahoma City, was asked to help in the Indian radio program over KLTR. This is a regular broadcast from 5:30 p. m. to 5:45 p. m. on Sundays. Mrs. Anderson was to select a song to be sung in the Choctaw language. There are about eight different tribes represented in these programs and they sing in their own dialect. Mrs. Anderson selected the song, "I'm Going Home To Die No More." As they were coming to the close of this song, just about fifteen seconds before the time for the program to close, Mrs. Anderson collapsed, and a litter later passed out into eternity.

Mrs. Anderson was a very effective worker in her own church. She never moved her membership to Oklahoma City because they quite often went out to the old Blue Church, to which she belonged. She was president of the Woman's Missionary Society, and had taken money from her meager food budget to help in the mission for her church.

The missionary had spoken that Sunday morning on the duties of the Christian, putting special emphasis on the importance of Bible reading and worship in the home. After going home from the service, Mrs. Anderson had talked with her husband and had urged him to be even more faithful in the reading of the Scriptures, and in taking care of the little baby girl that was in the home. Whether or not she had a premonition that she would soon be in eternity, we do not know, but it is interesting that she had put this emphasis on Bible reading and family worship that very morning.

Woman's Missionary Union helped to build the Indian Center buildings there in Oklahoma City, and has helped support the work from the day it was founded.

GLIMPSES OF GARAYWA PERSONALITIES YOU'LL MEET AT CAMP

You know the dates; you know the cost; you've heard something of the program. Now let's get acquainted with the PEOPLE who plan for and direct camps!

This first week we want to present MISS EDWINA ROBINSON, Executive Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union. As Executive Secretary, she is in general charge of Camp Garaywa throughout the year, seeing that it is kept in proper condition in every way. During the summer she attends part of most every camp which is held. She personally directs the week for W. M. S., scheduled this year for July 30-August 1.

"Miss Ed", as most campers know her, is an important part of CAMP GARAYWA, for she dreamed and directed it into being! "THROUGH THE BAPTIST RECORD, READ OF CAMPS 'TIL MAY;

WHEN THAT MONTH ARRIVES, BEGIN COMING TO GARAYWA!"

(Watch this column each week for camp information.)



MISS EDWINA ROBINSON

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

PLAN FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC RALLY IN MARCH

Word has reached us that many of the associations have completed plans for the Evangelistic Campaign Music Rally. Such a rally should be planned with definite goals in mind. We are in the business of winning the lost to Christ, and the Music Rally should be planned to encourage this effort. Plenty of advertisement should be given to the rally. Make some effort to enlist every church to cooperate with the rally program.

According to report, many of the churches do not have a person designated to lead the singing during the revival. It is very important to secure a good song leader. A song leader employed from outside the church membership will stimulate the interest in the singing, but most of the churches will select a good song leader from the membership of the church.

The song leader should make definite plans for the revival and for each service. The song program for each service should be planned as definite with

a purpose as the sermon prepared by the evangelist.

The singing is not a "SHOW" but is "WORSHIP," and should be planned using songs and hymns of evangelism. The choir and song leader will remember that we are "With Christ After the Lost" and this is the biggest business in the world.

All of the song leaders should be enlisted to lead some congregational singing at the Music Rally.

JONES ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MUSIC SCHOOL

On March 5th the Central Music School scheduled in the Jones Association will open. Rev. S. J. Rushing, Associational Missionary is in charge of promotion, and plans are underway to have all the churches in Jones County participate in the school. Classes will be held at night, and credit toward the Church Music Diploma will be given. A county-wide rally will be held on Sunday afternoon March 11. Further information about the music school will be directed to Rev. Rushing.

Alcohol Council Secretary Reports 450 Speeches; 75 Communities Reached

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Church Council for Alcohol Education was held in the First Church, Jackson, on Thursday, February 22. It was the best meeting this organization has ever had.

The high-light of the morning session was the report of Rev. W. S. Cameron, Executive Secretary. Mr. Cameron's report revealed that he had been in some 75 different communities of the state during the past year and spoken more than 450 times. He revealed that there is wide public acceptance of the educational approach being made to the Alcohol Problem by the Church Council.

The afternoon session heard a magnificent address by Dr. Hugh Brimm, Secretary of the Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Brimm spoke on "The Alcohol Problem—A Challenge to Christian Action Now." Dr. Brimm gave some figures to set forth the magnitude of this problem as it faces the people of America today. He said that we have some 65 million people drinking in America today, an increase of 25 million in the past decade. He pointed out that we have some four or five million alcoholics

today. He further pointed out that alcohol is responsible for 22,000 deaths each year. Some 12,000 die because their bodies have been ravaged by alcohol. Another 8,000 die from automobile accidents involving alcohol, while still another 2,000 die from industrial accidents, etc., involving alcohol.

Dr. Brimm praised the work of the Mississippi Church Council for Alcohol Education and the splendid report of the Executive Secretary.

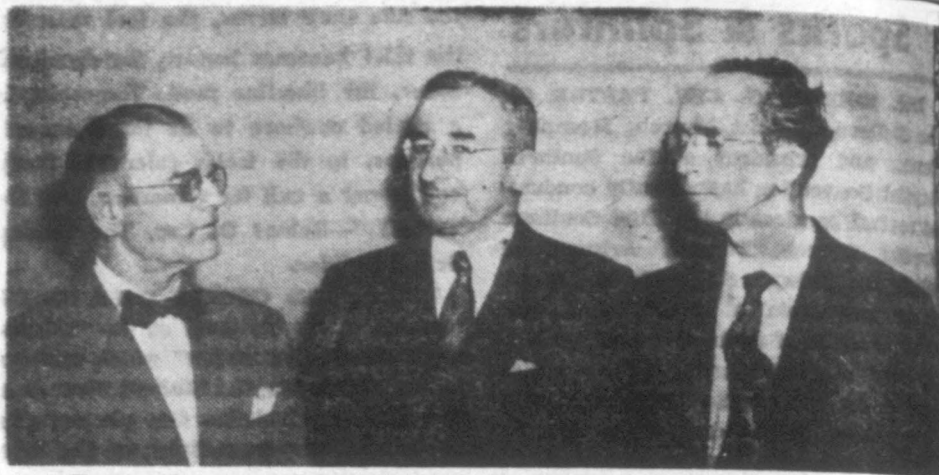
Among Baptist representatives who will serve on the Church Council for the ensuing year are: Rev. Chester Quarles, Dr. A. L. Goodrich, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, Dr. W. E. Holcomb, Ed Herring and J. A. Travis.

Double Springs Dedicates Debt-Free Ed Annex

Dedication services were held on February 25 at the Double Springs Church in Zion Association, at which time the recently completed educational unit was dedicated free of debt. Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary, was the guest speaker.

The annex brings the total value of church property to \$2,000. A butane gas system has recently been installed and other improvements made. Rev. H. W. Freeman is the pastor and leads the church in a half-time program.

HOUSEHOLD SALVATION (\$1.50) consists of nine sermons by the Evangelist John Linton. Sympathetic boldness and Scotch humor characterize the message which are given along with their Scriptural references. Order from Sword of the Lord Publishers, Wheaton, Illinois, or from the Baptist Book Store.



Shown above are the officers of the Southern Baptist Press Association. The association is composed of the editors and business managers of the Southern Baptist State Papers and southwide publications. They are left to right: A. L. Goodrich, editor of the Baptist Record (Miss.), retiring president; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder (N.C.), president, and Rev. Orbie Clem, editor of the Kansas Southern Baptist Beam, secretary. The newly elected vice-president, Rev. Barry Garrett, was not present.

More Relief Calls Bring Warning From R. and A. Board

Dr. R. S. Jones, Associate Secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas, has voiced the concern of that board over the increasing relief load it is being called upon to bear. A copy of a resolution unanimously approved by the Board's Executive Committee shows the concern on the part of said committee and of the relief committee, about the problem of non-participation of pastors in the Ministers Retirement Plan.

The resolution follows:

"There is a growing concern on the part of the Executive Committee of the Relief and Annuity Board, over the ever increasing load which the relief department is called upon to carry.

"The relief department was organized to provide for those who never had an opportunity to join the Ministers Retirement Plan, having served before there was any Relief and Annuity Board. Had all the pastors of the Southern Baptist Convention taken advantage of the opportunity offered by the Ministers Retirement Plan, the load on the relief department would be decreasing each year. So many pastors have neglected or refused to join the Ministers Retirement Plan and are now retiring, requesting that their names be added to our relief roll, that the load on the relief department is becoming unbearable.

"The denomination has made it possible, through the Ministers Retirement Plan, for any pastor, willing to pay three-eighths of the cost, to provide, with the help of his denomination, a retirement benefit equal to one-half of his average salary over a period of 25 years.

"The Executive Committee and the relief committee feel that a statement should be made to pastors who have failed to enter the Ministers Retirement Plan, calling their attention to the seriousness of this problem. The relief committee feels that pastors now in active service who refuse or neglect to join the Ministers Retirement Plan, will have no right to expect assistance from the department.

"Those who are now on the roll are being made to suffer as we divide our funds between those who have a valid claim for assistance from the department and those who have, by their neglect, failed to provide for themselves. It is urgently requested that the state secretaries inform pastors in active service that unless they provide, with the help of their denomination, retirement benefits, there is serious doubt that we

PROVIDENCE BEGINS YOUTH WEEK EMPHASIS

Youth Week began Saturday night, February 24 at Providence Church, Forrest County, with a Youth Rally. The young people of Fifth Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, were in charge of the special music and message of the evening.

Billy Johnson of Mississippi College did the preaching and William Lowery Compere, Jr., led the singing.

Goals for Sunday School and Training Union were set and passed as follows: Sunday School goal 175, attendance 177; Training Union goal, 110, attendance 130.

Rev. J. F. Parker is the pastor.

MRS. U. S. BRIDGES

On February 16 the death angel visited the home of U. S. Bridges and took away his beloved wife, Mrs. U. S. Bridges, a fine noble Christian woman, a devout mother, a faithful church member.

She is gone and how we miss her. But her Christian influence will live on in the hearts of those who knew her. She died as she lived, trusting in the Lord. She surely has gone to meet the one who said, "Enter now into the joys that are prepared for those who love me."

W.M.U. of Clear Branch Church, Rankin County

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Building were: Rev. Paul Z. Bell, Brookhaven; Rev. Newell Massey, Leland; Rev. C. O. Daniels, Summit; Mrs. N. L. Harvey, Ruby Harvey, Ridgeland; Stella Broadus, Florence; Rev. Jas. N. Brister, Yazoo City; Rev. Bill Beam, Benton; Dr. Webb Brame, Yazoo City; Rev. J. B. Watkins, New Hebron; Rev. L. P. Marler, L. D. Dixon, New Hebron; Rev. Noel Barlow, New Orleans.

SALEM CHURCH IN LAUDERDALE County recently presented its pastor, Rev. Jewel Golman, a new suit as an expression of Love.

will be able to care for them out of relief funds. So serious has this problem become that the relief committee has given instructions that no increases be granted except in cases of dire emergency."

Any pastor who is not participating in the Ministers Retirement Plan can secure application blanks for doing so, or can secure further information about the plan by writing Rev. Chester L. Quarles, P.O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell.
March 4.

THE JERUSALEM ROAD.
Mark 10.

I. THE PURPOSE OF THE PERARAN MINISTRY

From the Training of the Twelve, by Bruce, I quote: "While retiring to Peraea for these private reasons, that He might muse on the past and the future, and link sacred memories to solemn anticipations, Jesus did not by any means live there a life of seclusion and solitary meditations. On the contrary, during His sojourn in that neighborhood, He was usually busy healing the sick, teaching the multitude as He was wont, answering inquiries, receiving visits, granting favors.

"THOUGH BUSILY OCCUPIED AMONG THE THRONING CROWD, JESUS CONTRIVED TO HAVE SOME LEISURE HOURS WITH HIS CHOSEN DISCIPLES, DURING WHICH HE TAUGHT THEM SOME NEW LESSONS ON THE DOCTRINE OF THE DIVINE KINGDOM. THE SUBJECT OF THESE LESSONS WAS SACRIFICE FOR THE SAKE OF THE KINGDOM—A THEME CONGENIAL TO THE PLACE, THE TIME, THE SITUATION, AND THE MOOD OF THE TEACHER."

II. FOUR GREAT TEACHINGS ON THE WAY

1. Divorce. Mark 10:1-12.

Marriage is honorable in all and is of God's appointment. It is through the institution of marriage that the most genuine and abiding joys of life among men and women are capable of being realized. Marriage makes possible the home, the proper begetting and rearing of children, the family fellowship with God as head of the household. It is the intention and desire of the Lord that the family life should be the first of the moulding influences in holding the world in allegiance to Him. Whatever disrupts the family, destroys the home, wars against God. His plan was that the family should begin with one husband of one wife, and they as one flesh head of the family for so long a time as they both should live. No place is found in God's original plan for divorce—that easy scheme of sexual promiscuity. That came as the fruit of the sinful heart of man.

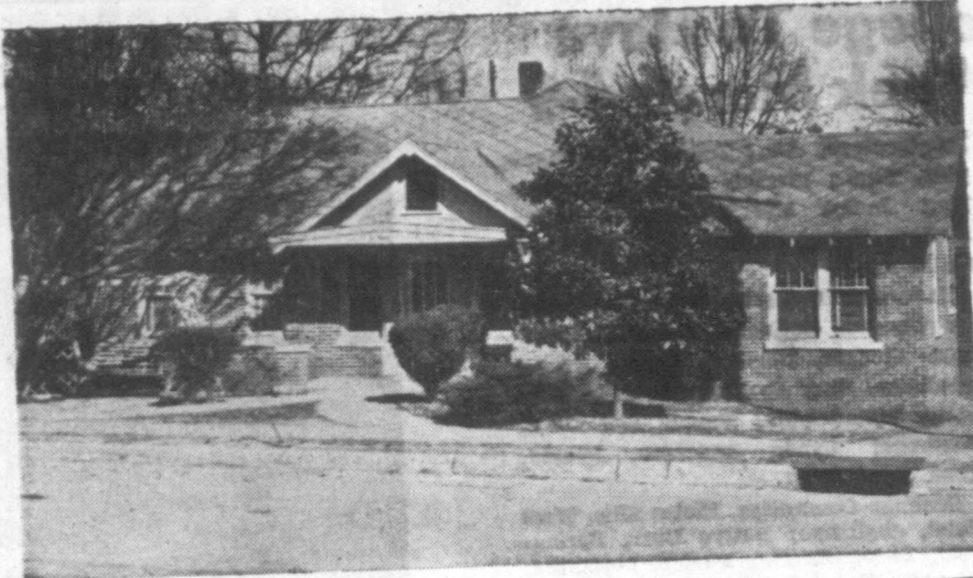
2. Love for Little Children. Mark 10:13-16.

The Lord set the work of child training in the very forefront of His plan for dealing with the race and of bringing the members of it to a normal, Godly maturity. In our churches, even, we often make totally inadequate provision for the training of the children. We put worn-out piano and the dog-eared song books, and other equipment that the adults have discarded down in the children's department. At home we too often just let them grow up. Against all this carelessness upon the part of parents who delight in easy swaps of husbands and wives and other activities which leave the little children lacking the nurture they need. The Lord issues His decree, Hinder them not; let them come unto Me, coupled with His declaration. "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

3. The Rich Young Ruler. Mark 10:17-31.

In Matthew 10: 16-31, and in Luke 18: 18-30, is this well-known story also recorded. It tells of the sad case of an excellent young man who, in spite of his wealth and exemplary character, knew there was something he yet lacked and believed that Jesus could tell him what he lacked and how he could obtain it, but upon being told, found the conditions too hard for him and went away into the endless night of unhappiness.

4. Approaching Death. Mark 10:32-34. Our Lord foretells His death with the attendant circumstances. It had been foretold of Him by the prophets and



Baldwyn Brotherhood Renovates Building

On February 15 work was completed on the Baldwin Hospital building, which had been purchased by the First Church, Baldwin, to be used as an educational building. The property is adjacent to the church.

The structure was completely renovated by the Brotherhood rearranging the rooms to provide four assembly rooms, two nurseries, 18 classrooms, two rest rooms, offices for the church staff, pastor's study, kitchenette, and music room. The interior was painted and the exterior is in the process of being cleaned.

Approximately \$1,500 in labor was contributed by the Brotherhood of the church, with nothing being spent for labor. The building is now valued at \$50,000, thus giving the church a total prop-

erty value of \$95,000. Rev. Charles Skutt, pastor, says, "This experience has convinced the pastor and the people of the inestimable value of the Brotherhood and its contribution to the whole church life."

III. WHAT CONSTITUTES GREATNESS

Mark 10:35-45. (Read this passage and Matthew 20:20-28).

1. A Mother's Desire for Her Sons (Matt. 20:20). This is natural, this desire of a mother to see her sons hold high rank, and it is also natural for mothers to care little as to how their sons attain lofty rank. Let John and James get up there, however.

2. The Veiled Petition. Grant us a favor before we tell you what. The Lord had too much sense to yield to be taken in that trap. "We want to be closest to you in authority when you set up the kingdom."

3. The Lord's Response. "You do not know what you are talking about." Of course not, and half the time we are asking God for favors, we do not know what we are talking about. If we did, we would by no means ask the things we do.

4. His Searching Question. "Can you wade with Me and dive with Me through the deep waters of my sorrow? Can you walk with Me through the fiery furnace of my suffering?" And glibly they answered, "Oh, sure!" Mark well His answer: "You will drink of my cup and be baptized with my baptism." How many tens of thousands of times since have young men and women said, "I'll go with Him all the way," and then found the way too hard! waters too deep! furnace too hot!

5. A Place Prepared. Mark 10:40. For each of the servants of the Lord in every time and place, there is a place prepared, a task assigned, a work given. Upon what principle is it assigned? Fitness! Are you fit for a big place? Yes! You will get into it, then.

River Avenue Invites Clarke College Students

River Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, plans for Clarke College students to bring the messages on the first Sunday of each month. On March 4, Rev. Herman Dykes, of Baton Rouge, La., will do the preaching and Howard Wagstaff, of Livingston, Texas, will lead the singing.

Arrangement for the speakers is made by Athens McNeil, a member of the River Avenue Church and a student at Clarke College. Rev. Garland McInnis is the pastor.

HARMONY NOTES GROWTH UNDER PASTOR T. E. FANT

Rev. T. E. Fant, pastor of the Harmony Church in Jones County, taught the book "The Bible and Prayer" by R. G. Lee recently with 52 members of the Harmony Church attending. Last week 31 were enrolled in another study course at the church.

Although Mr. Fant has been pastor for a short time only, there have been several additions by letter and by baptism. The Sunday School has reached 110.

Special preparation is being made by the church for the Evangelistic Crusade in which Pastor Fant will do the preaching. Music will be in charge of local talent.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of renewals and new names from Hebron Church, Panola County. The list was sent by C. A. Bishop, treasurer.

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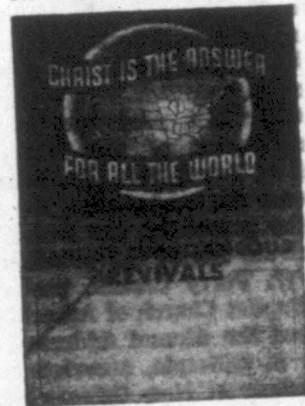
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Blue Mountain College To Have Religious Focus Week March 4-9

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Feb. 26—Religious Focus Week at Blue Mountain College will be held March 4-9. Willie Vesta Winslett, a junior from Laurel, is chairman of the general committee of 80 and will direct the arrangements. Assisting with plans are Miss Jane Ray Bean, student secretary, and Miriam Preston, Nashville, Tenn., Baptist Student Union president.

A number of outstanding workers among young people will conduct seminars and symposiums. The chief purpose of Focus Week is to strengthen spiritual life and to relate religion to all phases of life, and to stress its place in different college courses. The following leaders in student work will compose the Focus Week team:

Rev. Walton Connelly, assistant pastor, First Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va.; Rev. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Dr. Daniel R. Grant, assistant professor of Political Science at Vanderbilt University; Rev. W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Frank H. Leavell, lecturer, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Estelle Slater, Student Department, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.; W. Plunkett Martin, professor of sacred music and head of Music Department, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Charles W. Horner, Baptist Student Union secretary for Mississippi; William Hall Preston, associate Southwide Baptist Student Secretary, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. John McClanahan, assistant pastor, Franklin Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.; and Dr. R. H. Falwell, Jr., State Baptist Student Union Secretary for Alabama.

Miss Winslett has appointed the following committee and sub-committee members: Program, Doris Mahanes, Hilton Village, Va., chairman; Jean Duncan, Griffin, Ga.; Melba Marion, Ven Vleet; Ann Ray, Pontotoc; Yvette Shirley, Forest.

Hospitality, Maurine Sparkman, Pine Bluff, Ark., chairman; Becky Witt, Ripley; Jennie Horton, Ripley; Jimmy Perry, Crawford; Beverly Ann Guyton, Blue Mountain; Jane Griffin, West Memphis, Ark.; Peggy Stacy, Tupelo; Miriam Stacy, Tupelo; Mary Martha McClain, Quincy, Fla.; Mary Jo Ray, Ackerman; Alice Letitia Bigelow, Memphis, Tenn.

Arrangements Committee, Rebecca Tune, Tupelo, chairman; Jean Black, Oxford; Jacqueline Gale, Norfolk, Va.; Sara Jo Pennebaker, Jackson, La.; Jamie Patterson, Houlika; Ida Faye Todd, Brooksville; Janet Washburne, Delhi, La.; Eloise Levanger, Chicago, Ill.

Class Room Visitation Committee, Bobbe Carr, Sumner, chairman; Rita Duke, Gadsden, Ala.; Betty Lou Swetman, Laurel; Betty Sue Dixon, Memphis, Tenn.; Sylvia Strickland, Greenwood; Dorothy Muse, Florence, Ala.

Books and Literature Committee, Jeanette Collier, Kewanee, chairman; Dorrence Hull, Mobile, Ala.; Charles Jennings, Greenwood; Ruth Woodruff, Houston; Bonnie Mae Gadd, Ashland.

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Personal Conference Committee, Miriam Preston, Nashville, Tenn., chairman; Marianne Colvert, Little Rock, Ark.; Mary D. Wilds, Oxford; Mary Louise Rice, Black Mountain, N. C.; Hilda Lackey, Calhoun City.

Faculty Committee, Dr. W. F. Taylor, chairman; Mrs. W. C. Tyler; Dr. Lawrence T. Lowery; Mrs. Elma Lois McKinstry; Miss Jane Ray Bean; Mrs. Sadie Tiller Crawley; Miss Annie Hendricks.

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REV. LLOYD SPARKMAN, PASTOR of Southside Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas will do the preaching in the revival at the West Laurel Church during the Crusade. Frank Adams, of Little Rock, Arkansas, who led the singing in a revival last year, has been invited to return for this revival. Rev. H. J. Rushing is the pastor.

The Preacher And His Province Is Holland Lecture Theme

By RALPH D. CHURCHILL

"The Preacher and His Province" constituted the theme for the Holland Foundation Lectures, a feature of Southwestern Seminary's recent Mid-winter Conference.

Lecturer this year was Dr. J. W. Storer, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tulsa, Okla. Dr. Storer chose to discuss the commission, the preparation, the preaching, the leadership and the private life of the preacher.

Dr. W. Perry Crouch, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asheville, N. C., delivered the Alumni Address, and Dr. Arthur S. Gillespie, associate professor of missions at New Orleans Seminary, gave the missionary address.

Discussing the commission of the preacher, Dr. Storer said, "There ought to be a new fresh appreciation of that which has come to us as preachers. How supreme it is to be conscious that back of us is the purpose of God for all mankind."

"The two weakest links in the life of a preacher are his ignorance of the Bible and his lack of effective prayer," Dr. Storer said in his second lecture. "My plea is that your major study will be the Bible and your minor emphasis will be upon books about the Bible."

Dr. Storer emphasized that the preacher had four things to do—preach the Word, teach the Cross, beseech the Throne and reach the people. He discussed the Lord's Prayer as emphasizing the relation of a child to his father, a worshipper and his God, a citizen and his king, a servant and his master, a sinner and his Saviour, a pilgrim and his guide, a captive and his deliverer.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of subscriptions from New Salem Church, Carroll County. The list was sent in by Mrs. W. W. Bennett.

Good Will Book Presented To People Of Japan By American Bible Society



Southern Baptist Convention leaders sign the Good Will Book indicating Baptists have helped the American Bible Society send 6 million Scripture volumes to Japan since V-J Day. The large 2-volume book, presented to the Japan Bible Society, contains signatures of 33,266 individual contributors and leaders of 31 denominations whose churches support the work of the American Bible Society. Signing are: Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Richmond, Va., foreign mission secretary for the Orient; Dr. Robert G. Lee, Memphis, Tenn., convention president; Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Richmond, Va., foreign mission executive secretary.

A "Good Will book" of signatures of Americans who are helping the American Bible Society provide Bibles for Japan has been presented to the Japan Bible Society at public ceremonies in Tokyo. The inscription reads: "Presented to the people of Japan by Christian friends in America through the American Bible Society."

Southern Baptist, Chaplain Ivan L. Bennett, acting for General MacArthur, made the presentation on behalf of the American Bible Society.

Because the Japanese people have turned to the Bible with an interest without parallel in all history, General MacArthur urges that 30 million volumes of Japanese Scriptures be supplied rapidly.

A third volume of the "Good Will book" will be prepared and sent to Japan. Blanks for signatures may be secured from the American Bible Society, 450 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Signatures of persons who give \$1 or more will be pasted in the book. Only signatures, not addresses or amount of gifts, will appear.

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LAUREL, FEB. 27 — WILDWOOD Baptist Church, recently organized in south Laurel, today announced plans for building a new church, the second such announcement in two days. Highland Baptist Church in North Laurel revealed plans for a new church building yesterday. The Wildwood group is presently meeting in a new brick parsonage and plans erection of a brick church building on its lot at the corner of Julian and 17th streets in the near future.

CORRECTION: REV. M. J. GILBERT says that there was an error in last week's issue concerning Baptist Building workers available for the Simultaneous Crusade. He is to assist Pastor Buford Sellers at Mt. Pisgah in Carroll County.

"HOW TO GRIP YOUR CONGREGATION WITHOUT A GRIPE" is the title of a jocose sermonette about preachers written as only Riley Munday, Student Secretary at Mississippi Southern, can write. The article appears in the March issue of the Baptist Student Magazine.

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SURVEY REVEALS PASTORIUM NEEDS

There are twice as many guest rooms as playrooms in rural pastoriums. In only 18 per cent of the pastoriums is there a play room for the pastor's children.

In the recent survey of 1171 parsonages, facts were gathered regarding 13 different recreational facilities at the parsonage.

One pastor's wife wrote, "In our present one we have a playroom and things are much easier both for the children and for me. When guests arrive, accompanied by their children, the children congregate in the play room while their elders have the opportunity of a real visit in the living room. A play room is invaluable."

The home ground was also a part of this survey of 1171 pastoriums which is being distributed by the Rural Department, Drew Seminary, Madison, New Jersey. Seven out of ten families added beauty to their lawn which flower beds. But the trustees were not so concerned. Two parsonages out of five needed painting.

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